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SENATE BILL No. 376

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Citations Affected: IC 20-8.1.

Synopsis: Drug-free schools policy exception. Provides that a school corporation's discipline policy must allow a student with an acute or chronic disease or medical condition to possess and self-administer medication that must be administered on an emergency basis while the student is on school grounds or off school grounds at a school activity, function, or event if the student's parent files an annual authorization that includes a written statement from the student's physician for the student to self-administer the medication. Prohibits a school from sending medication home with a student. Specifies individuals to whom medication may be released. Allows a school to send medication home with a high school student if the student's parent has given written permission.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

Wyss, Sipes, Gard

January 18, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.
February 8, 2001, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-8.1-5.1-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 0.5. As used in this chapter,**
- 4 **"physician" means an individual licensed to practice medicine or**
- 5 **osteopathic medicine under IC 25-22.5.**
- 6 SECTION 2. IC 20-8.1-5.1-7.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 7 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 8 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 7.5. (a) Discipline rules adopted**
- 9 **under section 7 of this chapter must provide that a student with a**
- 10 **chronic disease or medical condition may possess and**
- 11 **self-administer medication for the chronic disease or medical**
- 12 **condition during the times and in the places set forth under section**
- 13 **8(b) of this chapter if the following conditions are met:**
- 14 (1) The student's parent has filed an authorization with the
- 15 student's principal for the student to possess and
- 16 self-administer the medication. The authorization must
- 17 include the statement described in subdivision (2).

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(2) A physician states in writing that:

(A) the student has an acute or chronic disease or medical condition for which the physician has prescribed medication;

(B) the student has been instructed in how to self-administer the medication; and

(C) the nature of the disease or medical condition requires emergency administration of the medication.

(b) The authorization and statement described in subsection (a) must be filed with a student's principal annually.

SECTION 3. IC 20-8.1-7-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 22. (a) This section does not apply to medication possessed by a student for self-administration under IC 20-8.1-5.1-7.5.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (d), a school corporation may not send home with a student medication that is possessed by a school for administration during school hours or at school functions.

(c) Medication that is possessed by a school for administration during school hours or at school functions for a student in grades kindergarten through grade 8 may be released only to:

(1) the student's parent; or

(2) an individual who is:

(A) at least eighteen (18) years of age; and

(B) designated in writing by the student's parent to receive the medication.

(d) A school corporation may send home medication that is possessed by a school for administration during school hours or at school functions with a student in grades 9 through 12 if the student's parent provides written permission for the student to receive the medication.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Gard be added as coauthor of Senate Bill 376.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 376, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 20-8.1-5.1-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 0.5. As used in this chapter, "physician" means an individual licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine under IC 25-22.5.**"

Page 1, line 12, delete "certification" and insert "statement".

Page 1, delete lines 13 through 16, begin a new line block indented and insert:

"(2) A physician states in writing that:

(A) the student has an acute or chronic disease or medical condition for which the physician has prescribed medication;

(B) the student has been instructed in how to self-administer the medication; and

(C) the nature of the disease or medical condition requires emergency administration of the medication."

Page 1, line 17, delete "certification" and insert "statement".

Page 2, after line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 3. IC 20-8.1-7-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 22. (a) This section does not apply to medication possessed by a student for self-administration under IC 20-8.1-5.1-7.5.**

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Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 376 as introduced.)

MILLER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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